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SUBJ: WEEKLY REPORT

PROGRAM

1. RICHARD MEIER, PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, CONCLUDED HIS ELEVEN DAY USICA-SPONSORED VISIT TO INDONESIA WITH A COMMAND PERFORMANCE LUNCHEON/DISCUSSION HOSTED BY MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT EMILSALIM

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THE TWO AND-A-HALF HOUR LUNCH WAS ATTENDED BY THE RECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA: THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS: BAPPENAS ADVISOR SOEDJATMOKO: THE DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR HOUSING AND URBAN PLANNING: SLAIM'S SPECIAL ADVISOR ON URBAN AFFAIRS: THE HEAD OF "ANTARA", (THE GOVERNMENT NEWS AGENCY); THE SCIENCE EDITOR OF "TEMPO" MAGAZINE: AN EDITOR OF "SINAR HARAPAN": THE NEW DEAN OF THE
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FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AT UI-THE HEAD OF THE NEW ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL: THE DIRECTOR OF BAPPENAS' OFFICE OF LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS: AN THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCES.

2. DURING THE LUNCHEON, MEIER DESCRIBED THE FINDINGS OF HIS STUDY ON THE FUTURE OF JAVA (HE IS AN OPTIMIST) AND DISCUSSED HIS MOST

RECENT IMPRESSIONS OF THE STATE OF INDONESIAN DEVELOPMENT. HE STRESSED THE NEED FOR BROADLY TRAINED INDONESIAN THINKERS AND OFFERED THE SERVICES OF HIS DEPARTMENT AT BERKELEY TO TRAIN A FEW FIRST-RATE PLANNERS OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. CONVERSATION WAS SPIRITED WITH MIN.SALIM AND DR.SOEDJATMOKO CONTINUALLY PROBING AND QUESTIONING MEIER'S CONCLUSIONS AND PREDICITONS.

3. DURING THE PRIOR WEEK MEIER LECTURED ON ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING, ENERGY AND CITY-BUILDING, AND TH DESIGN OF RESOURCE-CONSERVNG CITIES AT THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE O F SCIENCES(LIPI) AND THE NATIONAL AVIATION AND SPACE INSTITUTE(LAPAN) IN JAKARTA, THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PHYSICS(LFN) IN BANDUNG, AND AT THE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AT SURABAYA. HE ALSO MET WITH NUMEROUS PLANNERS AN SCIENTIEST. CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN MEIER AND MANY HIGH-LEVEL PLANNERS HERE PROMISES TO CONTINUE. HIS PROGRAM PROVIDED EXCELLENT ENTREE TO POST AUDIENCE AT HIGHEST LEVEL AND STRONG SUPPORT TO POST OBJECTIVE 3(U.S. SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL EMINENCE.)

4. THE ART EXHIBITION"4 POP ARTIST"("THE '70S: A'POP' PERSPECTIVE)OPENED FOR TWO WEEK RUN AT GALERI BARU, OF THE JAKARTA ARTS CENTER(TIM) ON TUESDAY EVENING. THE OPENING DREW A CROWD OF NEARLY 200 ARTISTS, ACADEMICS, MEDIA PEOPLE AND STUDENTS. THE MICHAEL BLACKWOOD FILM"OLDENBURG" WAS SHOWN DURING HE OPENING TO TH GREAT AMUSEMENT AND INTEREST OFALL IN ATTENDANCE.(OBJECTIVE 5).
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5. A TWO-MAN TEAM FROM GAO FINAISHED TEN-DAY REVIEW MUTUAL EDUCATIONAL EXHCNAGES PROGRAM LAST WEEK. REVIEW TOOK UP GREAT DEAL OF EXCHANGES OFFICER AND STAFF TIME AND IN END DID NOTCOME UP WITH MANY REAL SUGGESTIONS OR SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS THAT COULD BE IMPLEMENTED. FOR ANY SUCH FUTURE REVIEWS POST FEELS TEAMS SHOULD BE BETTER BRIEFED BEFORE ARRIVAL TO AVOID LENGTHY EXPLANATIONS OF OVERALL POLICY. FOR EXAMPLE TEAM KNEW LITTLE ABOUT SHIFT OF CU INTO ICA AND ONLY BEGAN TO SEECHANGES AND IMPROVEMENTS O PROBLEMS THIS MOVE MIGHT CAUSE AFTEER POST BROUGHT UP SOME OF THESE ITEMS IN DISCUSSIONS(E.G. WHAT ROLE, IF ANY, SHOULD MISSION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE PLAY IN SELECTION IVS, WHAT ARE POST'S RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARDS HEW-SPONSORED AMERICAN RESEARCH GRANTEES).

ATMOSPHERICS.

6. JAKARTA NEWSPAPERS PRIOR TO THE ASEAN MINISTEIAL MEETING IN WASHINGTON WERE GIVING IT FROM LOW-KEY TO MODERATE ATTENTION, BOTH NEWSWISE AND EDITORIALY. ALMOST ALL COMMENTING NEWSPAPERS SAW THE CONFERENCE AS IMPORTANT TO ASEAN DEGELOPMENT: A NUMBER,

HOWEVER, WERE WARNING AGANST EXPECTING TOO MUCH IN IMMEDIATE
RESULTS. SEE JAKARTA MEDIA REACTION SENT 7/28, 7/31,8/1,8/2
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